EXPRESS MAIL #EV343261324US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Hirano et al. ATTY DOCKET NO.: 9792909-5870

SERIAL NO.: not yet assigned GROUP ART UNIT: not yet assigned

DATE FILED: April 13, 2004 **EXAMINER:** not yet assigned

INVENTION: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

which is a Divisional of the following copending U.S. Application:

APPLICANT: Hirano et al. ATTY DOCKET NO.: 9792909-5225

SERIAL NO.: 10/041,791 **GROUP ART UNIT:** 2812

DATE FILED: October 19, 2001 EXAMINER: Richard A. Booth

INVENTION: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please amend the accompanying application as follows: